

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Order Instituting Rulemaking to Promote Policy
and Program Coordination and Integration in
Electric Utility Resource Planning.

Rulemaking 04-04-003
(Filed April 1, 2004)

**ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE'S RULING
GRANTING EXTENSION OF TIME TO FILE POST-WORKSHOP COMMENTS
ON PROCUREMENT INCENTIVE FRAMEWORK**

At the request of three parties, this ruling grants an extension of time to file the opening and reply comments on the Workshop Report on Procurement Incentive Framework, currently due by April 25, and May 16, 2005, respectively.¹

The parties seeking this extension are the Green Power Institute, Union of Concerned Scientists and Sempra. Green Power Institute made its request yesterday by sending an e-mail note addressed to President Peevey and ALJ Gottstein; Union of Concerned Scientists sent an e-mail note supporting Green Power Institute's extension request shortly thereafter.² ALJ Gottstein advises that Sempra also seeks an extension of time to file comments.

¹ These original filing deadlines were established by ALJ Gottstein in the *Administrative Law Judge's Ruling Soliciting Post-Workshop Comments on Procurement Incentive Framework*, issued April 4, 2005.

² These extension requests were served electronically on the other parties of record.

The Green Power Institute seeks a two week extension to file both Opening and Reply comments due to 1) the press of its work in other ongoing Commission proceedings such as R.04-04-025 and R.04-04-026,³ and 2) the broad range of issues to be addressed in the comments. Union of Concerned Scientists echoes these concerns. Sempra seeks a one-week extension.

I am addressing the extension requests in the ALJ's absence, and after consultation with both President Peevey's office and ALJ Gottstein. It is our strong desire to keep this segment of the procurement proceeding moving on schedule in view of the number of other decisions the Commission will consider in the next several months on a variety of other topics which are under the oversight of President Peevey and ALJs Wetzell and Brown in R.04-04-003. We are aware that many parties are also participating in multiple segments of R.04-04-003 and in proceedings that are being closely coordinated with R.04-04-003, both here and at the California Energy Commission. In balancing all of these timing issues, we have decided to provide parties some additional time to file comments on a timeline that also meets the Commission's decision-making needs.

³ These dockets are commonly known as the Avoided Cost Proceeding and the RPS Proceeding. Both are under the Procurement "Umbrella," and are being actively coordinated by the Commission, pursuant to the Order Instituting Rulemaking (R.) 04-04-003.

THEREFORE, **IT IS RULED** that the April 25 and May 16, 2005 due dates for filing comments on the Workshop Report on Procurement Incentive Framework are extended by one week. Opening Comments are due by May 2, 2005 and Reply Comments are due by May 23, 2005. In all other respects the requirements specified in ALJ Gottstein's April 4, 2005 Ruling remain in full force and effect.

Dated April 21, 2005, at San Francisco, California.

/s/ LYNN T. CAREW

Lynn T. Carew
Administrative Law Judge

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that I have this day served the attached Administrative Law Judge's Ruling Granting Extension of Time to File Post-Workshop Comments on Procurement Incentive Framework on all parties of record in this proceeding or their attorneys of record by electronic mail to those who provided electronic mail addresses, and by U.S. mail to those who did not provide e-mail addresses.

Dated April 21, 2005, at San Francisco, California.

/s/ JANET V. ALVIAR

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